

Remarks

By entry of this Amendment claims 1-18, 20-24, 27-34, 54-55, 57-59 and 66-71 are pending, with all claims not listed being canceled. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

1. Claims 1-8, 20-24 and 67-71 Were Indicated as Allowable

Applicants note, with thanks, the allowance (in the Office action dated January 5, 2007) of claims 1-18, 20-24 and 67-71. These claims remain pending, without change.

2. Claims 28-33 Were Indicated as Objected To as Being Dependent on a Rejected Base Claim

Claims 28-33 were indicated as objected to (in the Office action dated January 5, 2007) as being dependent on a rejected base claim. Applicants have re-written claims 28-32 each in independent form to further include all of the limitations recited in rejected base claim 26, and thus these claims are now allowable. Claim 33 is now allowable as being dependent on now allowable independent claim 32.

3. Claims 27, 34, 54, 55, 57-59 and 66 Were Rejected but are Amended to Depend from Allowed Claims 1, 16 and 23

Claims 27, 34, 54, 55, 57-59 and 66 were rejected (in the Office action dated January 5, 2007) but are hereby amended to depend from allowed claims 1, 16 and 23. Specifically, these claims are amended as follows:

Rejected *claim 27* is amended to depend from allowed claim 23 rather than from now canceled claim 26.

Rejected *claim 34* is amended to depend from allowed claim 1 rather than from rejected and now canceled *claim 26*. The claim is further amended to recite a "reaction chamber."

Rejected *claims 54 and 55* are amended to depend from allowed claim 16 rather than from rejected and now canceled claim 53. Claim 54 is further amended to recite a "fluid outlet."

Rejected *claims 57-59 and 66* are amended to depend from allowed claim 23 rather than from rejected and now canceled claims 56 and 65, respectively. Claims 57-59 are further amended to recite that the first fluid is excluded from "at least a major portion of the second side" as recited in allowed base claim 23.

Accordingly, previously rejected dependent claims 27, 34, 54, 55, 57-59 and 66 are now allowable as being dependent upon allowed base claims.

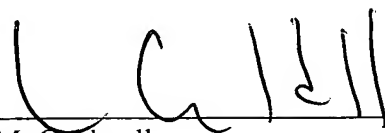
Although certain of the claims in this application have been canceled, Applicants disagree with each rejection raised by the Examiner and may pursue one or more of the canceled claims in a continuation application. Thus, Applicants are not currently responding substantively with argument against each of such rejections.

Should the examiner believe that anything further is necessary to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' representative by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

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